

**HARRIS**  
**36442-080403**



***ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL***  
***REGULAR SESSION***

***AUGUST 4, 2003***  
***9:00 A.M.***

***CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER***

***AGENDA***

**Call to Order--Roll Call. (Council Member Dowe was absent.)**

A communication from Mayor Ralph K. Smith requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(1), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

**File #110-132**

**Approved (6-0)**

**(Later deferred until the regular meeting of Council on Monday, August 18, 2003.)**

A communication from Mayor Ralph K. Smith requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss a special award, being the Shining Star Award, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(10), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

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A communication from the City Manager requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss disposition of publicly-owned property, where discussion in open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(3), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

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**Approved (6-0)**

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A communication from the City Attorney requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to consult with legal counsel regarding a specific legal matter requiring the provision of legal advice by counsel, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(7), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

**File #83-132**

**Approved (6-0)**

**AT 9:05 A.M., THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS TO BE RECONVENED IN THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM, ROOM 159, FOR A JOINT MEETING OF COUNCIL AND THE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION, AND BRIEFINGS BY THE CITY MANAGER.**



## ***COUNCIL WORK SESSION***

***AUGUST 4, 2003***

***9:00 A.M.***

***ROOM 159***

### ***AGENDA***

**All Council Members were present.**

1. Joint meeting of Council and the City Planning Commission:
  - Projected timetable for conclusion of all neighborhood plans.
  - Annual Review of Vision 2001-2020 Implementation Process. (30 minutes)
2. Items listed on the 2:00 p.m. Council docket requiring discussion/clarification; and additions/deletions to the 2:00 p.m. docket. (25 minutes)
3. Topics for discussion by the Mayor and Members of Council. (15 minutes)
4. Agenda items for the September 2, 2003 joint meeting of Council and the Roanoke City School Board. (10 minutes)

5. Briefings:

- Grow the Zoo - Beth Poff, Executive Director, Mill Mountain Zoo. (15 minutes)
- Scattered Site Development - John Baker, Executive Director, Roanoke Redevelopment and Housing Authority. (30 minutes)
- Pavement Cut Policy (20 minutes)
- Zoning Ordinance Update (10 minutes)
- Valley Metro - Disabled Service (30 minutes)

**AT 1:50 P.M., THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS TO BE RECONVENED AT 2:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.**



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***AGENDA***

**1. Call to Order--Roll Call. (All Present)**

The Invocation was delivered by The Reverend Rawleigh W. Quarles, Pastor, Staunton Avenue Church of God.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mayor Ralph K. Smith.

Welcome. Mayor Smith.

**NOTICE:**

Meetings of Roanoke City Council are televised live on RVTV Channel 3. Today's meeting will be replayed on Channel 3 on Thursday, August 7, 2003, at 7:00 p.m., and Saturday, August 9, 2003, at 4:00 p.m. Council meetings are now being offered with closed captioning for the hearing impaired.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**THE PUBLIC IS ADVISED THAT MEMBERS OF COUNCIL RECEIVE THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA AND RELATED COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS, ETC., ON THE THURSDAY PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL MEETING TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT TIME FOR REVIEW OF INFORMATION. CITIZENS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN OBTAINING A COPY OF ANY ITEM LISTED ON THE AGENDA MAY CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, ROOM 456, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 215 CHURCH AVENUE, S. W., OR CALL 853-2541.**

**THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE NOW PROVIDES THE MAJORITY OF THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ON THE INTERNET FOR VIEWING AND RESEARCH PURPOSES. TO ACCESS AGENDA MATERIAL, GO TO THE CITY'S HOMEPAGE AT [WWW.ROANOKEGOV.COM](http://WWW.ROANOKEGOV.COM), CLICK ON THE ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL ICON, CLICK ON MEETINGS AND AGENDAS, AND DOWNLOAD THE ADOBE ACROBAT SOFTWARE TO ACCESS THE AGENDA.**

**ALL PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ARE REQUESTED TO REGISTER WITH THE STAFF ASSISTANT WHO IS LOCATED AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. ON THE SAME AGENDA ITEM, ONE TO FOUR SPEAKERS WILL BE ALLOTTED FIVE MINUTES EACH, HOWEVER, IF THERE ARE MORE THAN FOUR SPEAKERS, EACH SPEAKER WILL BE ALLOTTED THREE MINUTES.**

**ANY PERSON WHO IS INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A CITY COUNCIL APPOINTED AUTHORITY, BOARD, COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT 853-2541, OR ACCESS THE CITY'S HOMEPAGE AT [WWW.ROANOKEGOV.COM](http://WWW.ROANOKEGOV.COM), TO OBTAIN AN APPLICATION.**

## **2. PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:**

A Resolution designating Pearl Fu as Goodwill Ambassador.

**Adopted Resolution No. 36442-080403. (7-0)**

**File #80**

Recognition of 2003 participants in the City of Roanoke Internship Program.

**File #80-175**

## **3. CONSENT AGENDA**

**(APPROVED 7-0)**

**ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THE ITEMS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.**

- C-1 Minutes of the regular meetings of Council held on Monday, December 18, 2000, Monday, June 2, 2003, and Monday, June 16, 2003.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve as recorded.

- C-2 A communication from Carol Tuning tendering her resignation as a member of the Personnel and Employment Practices Commission, effective immediately.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Receive and file the communication and accept the resignation.

**File #15-110-202**



Qualification of the following persons:

Alphonzo L. Holland, Sr., as a member of the Personnel and Employment Practices Commission, for a term ending June 30, 2006;

Gregory W. Feldmann as a Commissioner of the Roanoke Redevelopment and Housing Authority, for a term ending August 31, 2006; and

Ralph K. Smith and R. Brian Townsend as members of the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission, for terms ending June 30, 2006.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and file.  
File #15-110-178-202-326

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

#### **4. PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE.**

#### **5. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

- a. Joint communication from Vice-Mayor C. Nelson Harris and Council Member Beverly T. Fitzpatrick, Jr., in connection with the stadium/amphitheater project.

**A motion that Council rescind a previous decision to construct an \$18 million stadium/amphitheater was defeated, Council Members Wyatt, Bestpitch, Cutler and Dowe voted no.**  
File #122-132

#### **6. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:**

- a. CITY MANAGER:

**BRIEFINGS: NONE.**

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION:

1. Endorsement of additional State funding for education.

**Adopted Resolution No. 36443-080403. (7-0)**  
**File #60-467**

2. Reordaining and amending Ordinance No. 35588-091701 vacating, discontinuing and closing a 12' alley adjacent to 2701 - 2729 Richelieu Avenue, S. W.

**Adopted Ordinance No. 36444-080403. (7-0)**  
**File #514**

3. Acceptance of Driver/Occupant Awareness grant funds, in the amount of \$15,000.00; and execution of an agreement with the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles.

**Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 36445-080403 and Resolution No. 36446-080403. (7-0)**  
**File #5-20-60-236**

4. Acceptance of Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant funds, in the amount of \$9,474.02; and execution of an agreement with the Department of Justice.

**Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 36447-080403 and Resolution No. 36448-080403. (7-0)**  
**File #5-60-236**

5. Acceptance of Gang Resistance Education and Training Program grant funds, in the amount of \$4,840.00; and execution of an agreement with the U. S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

**Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 36449-080403 and Resolution No. 36450-080403. (7-0)**  
**File #5-60-236**

- 7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES: NONE.**
- 8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE.**
- 9. INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: NONE.**
- 10. MOTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**
  - a. Inquiries and/or comments by the Mayor, Vice-Mayor and Members of City Council.

Council Member Dowe called attention to an annual conference, "Emerging Leaders", which is held in the City of Roanoke, composed of leadership from black colleges and universities, and suggested that the City learn more about the program and extend formal greetings to program participants in the future.  
File #132-467

Council Member Cutler acknowledged and commended two new electronic newsletters: E-News, Environmental News from the City of Roanoke, and, On Good Authority, a monthly newsletter for City of Roanoke and Roanoke County employees involved in the formation of the Regional Water and Wastewater Authority.  
File #132-184-227-468

Council concurred in the appointment of an organizing group composed of Vice-Mayor C. Nelson Harris, Council Member Linda F. Wyatt, the City Manager, the Chief of Police, the Chair of the Roanoke City School, a School Trustee to be selected by the School Board, the Superintendent of Schools, and the Executive for Student Services, to develop a process and the composition of a joint task force which will be charged with the responsibility of jointly considering the issues of school safety and the appropriate role and responsibilities of School Resource Officers, with recommendations by the task force to be submitted no later than December 31, 2003. The City Manager was requested to consider whether changes and assignments with regard to School Resource Officers should be suspended until the process is completed.  
File #5-132-467

**With regard to the two new high schools, Council Member Cutler requested the opportunity to review plans for athletic tracks and how exterior grounds will be landscaped and committed to greenways.**

**File #132-388-467**

- b. Vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council.

## **11. HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS:**

**CITY COUNCIL SETS THIS TIME AS A PRIORITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD. MATTERS REQUIRING REFERRAL TO THE CITY MANAGER WILL BE REFERRED IMMEDIATELY FOR RESPONSE, RECOMMENDATION OR REPORT TO COUNCIL.**

**The following persons addressed Council in connection with school safety and School Resource Officers:**

**Alex Hincker, 4024 South Lake Drive, S. W.  
Carol Bragh, 2259 Westover Avenue, S. W.  
Helen E. Davis, 35 Patton Avenue, N. E.  
Evelyn D. Bethel, 35 Patton Avenue, N. E.  
Marvin Lloyd, 331 Cedar Avenue, Vinton, Virginia  
E. Duane Howard, 508 Walnut Avenue, S. W.  
Pamela Corcoran, 2250 Sewell Lane, S. W.  
Robert Gravely, 3360 Hershberger Road, N. W.  
Matthew Reames, 1930 Sheffield Road, S. W.  
Alice McCaffrey, 7870 Cedar Edge Road, S. W.  
Pat Lawson, 1618 Riverside Terrace, S. E.  
File #5-467**

## **12. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS: NONE.**

**CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION. (7-0)**